

MINUTES

UTAH Dentist Dental Hygienist Licensing Board MEETING

September 21, 2007

**Room 474 – 4th Floor – 8:15 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 8:20 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 10:49 a.m.

Bureau Manager:
Board Secretary:

Daniel T. Jones
Lee Avery

Board Members Present:

James Ence, DDS, Chairperson
Brian Lundberg, DDS
Anna Policelli RDH,
Pamela Jolley
Brent Larson, DDS
Rich Radmall, DDS
Alex Larsen, DDS
Karen Bateman, RDH

Board Members Excused

Stephen Morgan, DDS

Guests:

Judge Randy Skanchy, Esquire
Debra Mendez, Esquire
Laura Green
Laurie Falslev
Hollie Brown
Kim Bouwhuis
Kristi Barney
Monte Thompson, DDS
Sarah Nelsen
Sue Daugherty
Brent Sonnenberg, DDS
Richard Engar, DDS
Steven Steed, DDS

DOPL Staff Present:

F. David Stanley, Division Director
Mitchell Jones, Attorney General Office

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS: SWEAR IN A NEW BOARD MEMBER:

MINUTES:

APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. Brent Larson – Probationary Program

Dr. John Myers, DDS, Probation Interview

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

None

Mr. Jones swore Dr. Radmall in as the new Board Member. Dr. Radmall briefly introduced himself to the Board.

The minutes from August 17, 2007 were reviewed. Dr. Brent Larson motioned to accept the minutes with changes, seconded by Dr. Lundberg. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Brent Larson introduced Ms. Deborah Creek-Mendez, Legal Defenders Office, and Judge Randy Skanchy, Third District Drug Court to the Board. Judge Skanchy stated he is from one of four Drug Courts in Salt Lake, Tooele and Summit County's for the Third District courts. The participants range in ages from 16-70 yrs old. These charges are felony charges and are non violent offenders. Ms. Creek-Mendez and Judge Skanchy reviewed the structure of the Drug Court requirements probationers are required to meet. One of their goals is to assist the probationers in their medical and dental needs. The Board talked with Ms. Mendez and Judge Skanchy in detail noting the courts could refer individuals to the Dental Hygiene schools and Donated Dental. The Board briefly talked about a possible voucher system for its probationers who are required to complete community service as a possible resource.

Dr. Brent Larson motioned to further explore and support the option of adding community service to the Stipulations and Memorandum of Understandings, seconded by Ms. Policelli. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. John Myers and Dr. Chris Goodman presented themselves to the Board. Ms. Policelli conducted the interview. Dr. Myers advised the Board he had been

working with Dr. Goodman for several months. Dr. Goodman stated he has known Dr. Myers for several years. Dr. Myers is well liked by the patients and staff. Dr. Goodman also stated he feels very comfortable with Dr. Myers. Dr. Myers stated he will be working with Dr. Rasmussen and Dr. Boyer. Both have read his Memorandum of Understanding (M.O.U.). The Board asked Dr. Myers to have them submit a letter confirming they have read the M.O.U. Dr. Myers stated he attends support meetings once a week, continues with aftercare and sees a therapist once a month. Dr. Myers stated Dr. Birch will be prescribing his medication. Dr. Myers stated he is current on his continuing education (CE). He is a member of a study club and attends Utah Dental Association (UDA) conferences. The Board asked to see Dr. Myers in December 2007.

In Compliance.

Dr. Brent Sonnenberg, DDS, Probation
Interview

Dr. Brent Sonnenberg presented himself to the Board. Ms. Bateman conducted the interview. Dr. Sonnenberg advised the Board things were going well. He will be attending the American Dental Association (ADA) Convention in San Francisco for his continuing education (CE). The Board asked Dr. Sonnenberg to submit a list of the CE's he has obtained so far this renewal cycle. The Board noted it received a fax from the Pharmacy stating it listed Dr. Sonnenberg's name on a prescription in error. Dr. Sonnenberg stated his new office is going well. He continues with aftercare and a twelve (12) step program and turned in the attendance cards. Dr. Sonnenberg stated his family and friends are also his support group. Dr. Sonnenberg stated he attends meetings two (2) nights a week, however, he does not find the meetings very positive. The Board encouraged Dr. Sonnenberg to become involved in the meetings by becoming a group leader or sponsor.

Dr. Sonnenberg stated he continues to exercise occasionally goes to physical therapy or gets a massage to help his back problems. Dr. Sonnenberg stated he no longer takes any medications. The Board asked to see Dr. Sonnenberg in February 2008.

In Compliance.

Dr. David Hendrickson, DDS, Probation
Interview

Dr. Hendrickson was unable to keep his appointment with the Board, he was out of state.

Dr. Steven Steed, DDS, Sealants for Smiles
update
Interviewed out of order on the Agenda

Dr. Steed presented himself to the Board. Dr. Steed briefly reviewed the Sealants for Smiles program. Dr. Steed gave the Board an update regarding the changes. Dr. Steed stated this program has expanded to include Tooele and Summit Counties and United Way is looking for someone to take over the program. Dr. Steed stated the ultimate goal is to be statewide. Dr. Steed advised the Board Dental Select is looking at some programs to enhance and to give back to the community and had taken over the program. Dr. Steed briefly reviewed the statistics with the Board, noting 50% are under-insured, 25% are on Medicaid and 25% are on other insurance. The Board asked Dr. Steed to keep it advised.

Dr. Paul Benson, Probation Interview

Dr. Benson presented himself to the Board. Dr. Lundberg conducted the interview. The Board noted the employer reports have been very positive. The Board advised Dr. Benson it is still waiting for the report from Dr. Brunson. Mr. Jones stated Dr. Brunson is out of state and will send it when he returns. The Board was unable to locate a copy of the office policy in his file. Dr. Benson stated he submitted this to the Division. Mr. Jones stated he will search this. Dr. Benson stated things were going well. He is seeing Dr. Dan Gray. The Board briefly talked with Dr. Benson about his therapy and the positive direction this is going. Dr. Benson advised the Board the Boundary course he completed in San Diego was an excellent course. It opened his eyes to a lot. The Board asked to see Dr. Benson in January 2008. **In Compliance.**
Note* Dr. Bensons office policy has been received by the Division.

Dr. Troy Yates, DDS, Probation Interview

Dr. Yates was unable to keep his appointment with the Board. He is out of state at this time.

Dr. John Israelsen, DDS, Probation Interview

Dr. Israelsen was unable to keep his appointment with the Board. He is out of state at this time.

Dr. Mark Nichols, DDS, End of Probation Interview

Dr. Nichols presented himself to the Board. Dr. Nichols briefly reviewed with the Board the reasons his license was placed on probation and the things he has learned from this experience. After talking with Dr. Nichols Ms. Policelli motioned to remove Dr. Nichols from probation, seconded by Dr. Lundberg. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Perry Fifield, DDS, Probation Interview

Dr. Fifield presented himself to the Board. Dr. Alex Larsen conducted the interview. Dr. Fifield advised the Board things were ok. He is still looking for employment he has not worked since December 2006. He is renting space from Dr. Hibler and beginning to practice. Dr. Fifield stated he is working two (2) days a week. He has completed the ethics course and maintains a prescription log. Dr. Fifield advised the Board he has completed ninety-six (96) hours of community service. He goes to Donated Dental two (2) days a week and is continuing to pay on his fines. Dr. Fifield stated he continues to attend support groups and has received his ten (10) year chip for sobriety. Dr. Fifield stated he has not attended any continuing education (CE's) classes. The Board referred him to several approved courses and asked him to keep a log of the classes when he does attend them. The Board also asked Dr. Fifield to bring in three (3) or four (4) patients charts when he meets with it again. The Board asked to see Dr. Fifield in November 2007. **In Compliance.**

DISCUSSION:

Radiology Course by Jason Casto

The Board reviewed and approved Radiology Courses

Corinthian College, Dental Assisting Course
Application Review

The Board approved the Dental Assisting Course.

Dr. Tate Lott Viehweg Application Review
Alabama State Exam

Becki McCune, RDH, Application review
California State Exam

Mr. Jones advised the Board it needs to review the state exam Dr. Viehweg passed the Alabama State exam in 2001. This was missed when the Board approved the Class IV at its last meeting. The Board reviewed this information in detail Dr. Brent Larson motioned to rescind the class IV until Dr. Viehweg submits additional information showing the state exam he passed is equivalent to the Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) exam or he passed the WREB exam, seconded by Ms. Policelli. After further discussion, Dr. Brent Larson motioned to rescind the above motion and grant equivalency and the Class IV permit, seconded by Dr. Alexander Larsen. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Paul Clark Application

The Board reviewed the application from Ms. Becki McCune, RDH. She passed the California State Exam. After a brief discussion Ms. Bateman motioned to accept this exam, seconded by Ms. Policelli. The motion carried unanimously.

The Division has received additional exam information regarding the Oregon State Board Exam Dr. Paul Clark passed for his Oregon License. After a brief discussion, Dr. Lundberg motioned to accept the information submitted, seconded by Dr. Alex Larson. Ms. Bateman and Ms. Policelli abstain. The motion passed

BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

None

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn by Dr. Lundberg, seconded by Dr. Brent Larson.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

September 21, 2007

Date Approved

(ss) James Ence, DDS

Chairperson, Dentist Dental Hygienist Licensing Board

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Date Approved

(ss) Daniel T. Jones

Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &
Professional Licensing